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		5,342,393	08-30-1994	Stack	606	213	08-27-1992
		5,368,601	11-29-1994	Sauer et al.	606	144	04-30-1992
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<i>J</i>		3,802,438	04-09-1974	Wolvek	128	335	03-31-1972	
<i>J</i>		5,304,184	04-19-1994	Hatbaway et al.	606	144	10-19-1992	
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	4,892,098	01-09-1990	Sauer	606	18	02-25-1988
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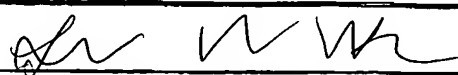
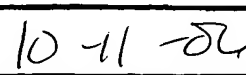
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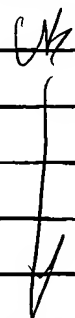
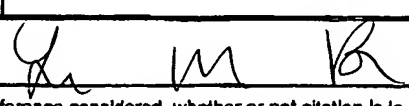
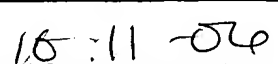
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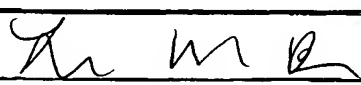
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J		4,667,684	05-26-1987	Leigh	128	754	02-08-1985	
J		5,718,714	02-17-1998	Livneh	606	205	10-11-1994	
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		5,383,901	01-24-1995	McGregor et al.	606	223	10-18-1993	
		5,405,354	04-11-1995	Sarrett	606	148	08-06-1993	
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		5,810,849	09-22-1998	Kontos	606	144	06-09-1997
		6,056,771	05-02-2000	Proto	606	222	04-15-1997
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		6,451,031 B1	09-17-2002	Kontos	606	144	03-21-2000	
		6,454,777 B1	09-24-2002	Green	606	144	02-27-2001	
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	5,211,644	05-18-1993	VanDeek et al.	606	1	09-20-1991
	5,261,918	11-16-1993	Phillips et al.	606	140	04-27-1992
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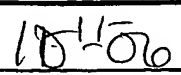
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		5,527,319	06-18-1996	Green et al.	606	143	08-05-1994	
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